

## WHAT IS HPV?



- HPV is a sexually transmitted infection (STI)
- HPV is the most common STI

Approximately...

# 43 MILLION

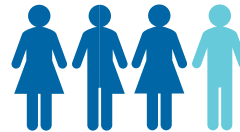
HPV infections were recorded in 2018

## HOW CAN YOU GET HPV?

- HPV is a virus spread during vaginal, anal, or oral sex by a person infected with the virus
- HPV can be spread through close skin-to-skin touching
- HPV can be spread by an infected person who does not have symptoms

Symptoms from HPV can develop years after infection and it can be difficult to know when a person was first infected

## WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF HPV?

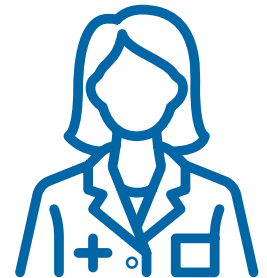


- **Genital Warts:** Appear as flat lesions and cauliflower like bumps in the genital area

- **Common Warts:** Appear as rough, raised bumps on the hands and fingers

- **Plantar Warts:** Appear as hard, grainy growths on the feet

- **Flat Warts:** Appear as flat-topped, raised lesions on the face or legs



All symptoms can be diagnosed by a healthcare provider

## CAN I BE TESTED FOR HPV?

**Women** between the ages of 30 and 65 are routinely screened for HPV with a pap smear

There is **NO** screening test for **men**

## WHAT TYPES OF CANCER CAN HPV CAUSE?

- HPV can cause cervical cancer and cancer involving the vulva, vagina, penis, anus, and back of the throat
- It can take years, even decades, for cancer from HPV to develop



**EVERY YEAR IN THE U.S.,  
OVER 19,000 WOMEN  
AND 12,000 MEN**

will develop cancer caused by HPV

Every year in the U.S., there are 12,000 people living with cervical cancer



Every year in the U.S.,  
**4,000**  
women will die of cervical cancer, despite screening and treatment

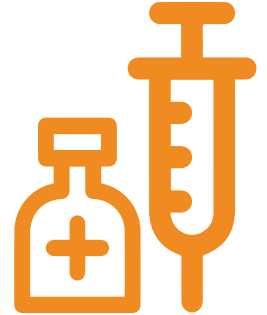
**THERE IS NO WAY TO  
TELL WHO WILL DEVELOP  
CANCER FROM HPV**

<https://www.cdc.org/std/hpv/stdfact-hpv.htm>

## HOW CAN I PREVENT HPV INFECTION?

### GET VACCINATED

The HPV vaccine is safe and effective and protects against diseases and cancers caused by HPV



Routine screening for women ages 21-65 can prevent cervical cancer

### IF YOU ARE HAVING SEX:

Have protected sex. Use condoms and/or dental dams every time during vaginal, anal, and oral sex. Condoms and dental dams must be used correctly and do not fully protect against infection.

## WHO SHOULD GET VACCINATED?

All boys and girls ages 11-12 (can start as early as age 9) and everyone through age 26, if not already vaccinated

Adults 27-45 may decide to get vaccinated following a discussion with their health care provider

